AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 2830 OFFERED BY MR. BILIRAKIS OF FLORIDA

Strike section 708 and insert the following:

1 SEC. 708. MARITIME BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION.

- 2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Within one year after the date of
- 3 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Se-
- 4 curity, acting through the Commandant of the Coast
- 5 Guard, shall conduct, in the maritime environment, a pro-
- 6 gram for the mobile biometric identification of suspected
- 7 individuals, including terrorists, to enhance border secu-
- 8 rity and for other purposes.
- 9 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall ensure the
- 10 program required in this section is coordinated with other
- 11 biometric identification programs within the Department
- 12 of Homeland Security.
- 13 (c) Cost Analysis.—Within 90 days after the date
- 14 of the enactment of this Λ ct, the Secretary shall submit
- 15 to the Committees on Appropriations and Homeland Secu-
- 16 rity of the House of Representatives and the Committees
- 17 on Appropriations and Homeland Security and Govern-
- 18 mental Affairs of the Senate an analysis of the cost of
- 19 expanding the Coast Guard's biometric identification ca-

- 1 pabilities for use by the Coast Guards Deployable Oper-
- 2 ations Group, cutters, stations, and other deployable mari-
- 3 time teams considered appropriate by the Secretary, and
- 4 any other appropriate Department of Homeland Security
- 5 maritime vessels and units. The analysis may include a
- 6 tiered plan for the deployment of this program that gives
- 7 priority to vessels and units more likely to encounter indi-
- 8 viduals suspected of making illegal border crossings
- 9 through the maritime environment.
- 10 (d) Definition.—For the purposes of this section,
- 11 the term "biometric identification" means use of finger-
- 12 print and digital photography images.

